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THE DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE

WASHINGTON, D. C. 20505

The Honorable Donald H. Rumsfeld  
The Secretary of Defense  
Washington, D.C. 20301

Dear Don:

I am often asked, "Has all the publicity about CIA really hurt?"

The answer has got to be "Yes." There is room for argument as to "how much," but I am really concerned.

Here is a TASS report of March 25 which shows how the Soviets are making propaganda use of this publicity.

I send it along simply for your information.

Sincerely,

/s/ George Bush

George Bush

Enclosure:  
As stated

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